higher grade. This is followed by inter-regional and intra-regional transfers respectively. Accordingly, those offered promotion will be given the posting before the requests for transfer are considered.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) This is not considered feasible by the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan.

**Indian Embassy in Kathmandu under strict surveillance of Nepalese Intelligence Agencies**

1805. SHRI SURESH KALMADI : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Embassy in Kathmandu is under strict surveillance by the Nepalese intelligence agencies and the Indian visitors coming out of the Embassy are subjected to interrogation by the agencies; and

(b) if so, whether the matter has been taken up with the Government of Nepal; if so, with what results ?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes Sir. The matter was taken up by our Ambassador to Nepal at the highest levels of His Majesty's Government of Nepal. Despite this there has been no improvement in the situation.

**Stricture passed by Guwahati High Court against station superintendent, Guwahati**

1806. SHRI JERLIE E. TARIANG : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the date on which the present Station Superintendent, Guwahati Railway Station in N.F. Railway was posted;

(b) whether the said Station Superintendent was given promotion out of turn by-passing/superseding many Senior awaiting promotions; if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the so aggrieved seniors moved the Guwahati High Court, if so, when and whether the Guwahati High Court passed any orders in the matter and strictures against the Station Superintendent;

(d) if so what are the details of such orders as well as strictures; and

(e) what follow-up action has been taken by the railway administration in the matter so far ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) to (e). Information is being collected from N. F. Railway and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

**Continuation of free travel concession to freedom fighters**

1807. DR. BAPU KALDATE : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that several Members of Parliament have represented to Government to continue the availability of free travel concession to Freedom Fighters for another few years; and

(b) if so, what action Government have taken in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Ministry of Home Affairs, which is the nodal Ministry in this respect has to take a decision.

1808. [*Transferred to the 10th August, 1989*].